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| <b>AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER</b>  |   |   |                                   | Docket No.<br>1163-0383P  |               |
| Application No.<br>10/024,150-Conf. #6523  |   | Filing Date<br>December 21, 2001        |                                   | Examiner<br>D. D. Knepper |               |
| Art Unit<br>2654   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| Applicant(s): Soichi NAGANO et al.   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| Invention: SOUND REPRODUCTION APPARATUS AND METHOD WITH VARIABLE-SPEED FAST FORWARD/REVERSE  |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| <b>MS Amendment</b><br><b>Commissioner for Patents</b><br><b>P.O. Box 1450</b><br><b>Alexandria, VA 22313-1450</b>   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.  |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| <b>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</b>   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
|  | Claims<br>Remaining<br>After<br>Amendment | Highest<br>Number<br>Previously<br>Paid | Number<br>Extra Claims<br>Present | Rate                      |               |
| <b>Total Claims</b>  | 12  | - 20 =                                  |                                   | x                         |               |
| <b>Independent Claims</b>  | 4   | - 3 =                                   | 1                                 | x 200.00                  | 200.00        |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> No additional fee is required for this amendment.   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.   |   |   |                                   |                           |               |
| <br>#39,491  |   |   |                                   | Dated: October 21, 2005   |               |
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| <b>Effective on 12/08/2004.</b><br>Fees pursuant to the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2005 (H.R. 4818).<br><b>FEE TRANSMITTAL</b><br><b>For FY 2005</b> |  | <b>Complete if Known</b> |                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27   |  | Application Number       | 10/024,150-Conf. #6523 |
| <b>TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT</b>   |  | Filing Date              | December 21, 2001      |
| (\$)   |  | First Named Inventor     | Soichi NAGANO          |
| 200.00   |  | Examiner Name            | D. D. Knepper          |
|  |  | Art Unit                 | 2654                   |
|  |  | Attorney Docket No.      | 1163-0383P             |

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| <b>METHOD OF PAYMENT</b> (check all that apply)   |  |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Deposit Account  | Deposit Account Number: <u>02-2448</u>   |
| Deposit Account Name: <u>Birch, Stewart, Kolasch &amp; Birch, LLP</u>   |  |
| For the above-identified deposit account, the Director is hereby authorized to: (check all that apply)                |  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below  | <input type="checkbox"/> Charge fee(s) indicated below, <b>except for the filing fee</b> |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charge any additional fee(s) or underpayment of fee(s) under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Credit any overpayments                              |

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| <b>FEE CALCULATION</b>  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| <b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
|   | <b>FILING FEES</b>  |   | <b>SEARCH FEES</b>   |                     | <b>EXAMINATION FEES</b>          |                       |                              |
|   |                     | <b>Small Entity</b>                                     |                      | <b>Small Entity</b> |                                  | <b>Small Entity</b>   |                              |
| <b>Application Type</b>   | <b>Fee (\$)</b>     | <b>Fee (\$)</b>   | <b>Fee (\$)</b>      | <b>Fee (\$)</b>     | <b>Fee (\$)</b>                  | <b>Fee (\$)</b>       | <b>Fees Paid (\$)</b>        |
| Utility   | 300                 | 150   | 500                  | 250                 | 200                              | 100                   | _____                        |
| Design  | 200                 | 100   | 100                  | 50                  | 130                              | 65                    | _____                        |
| Plant   | 200                 | 100   | 300                  | 150                 | 160                              | 80                    | _____                        |
| Reissue   | 300                 | 150   | 500                  | 250                 | 600                              | 300                   | _____                        |
| Provisional   | 200                 | 100   | 0                    | 0                   | 0                                | 0                     | _____                        |
| <b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
|   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | <b>Fee (\$)</b>       | <b>Small Entity Fee (\$)</b> |
| <b>Fee Description</b>  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | 50                    | 25                           |
| Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | 200                   | 100                          |
| Multiple dependent claims   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | 360                   | 180                          |
| <b>Total Claims</b>   | <b>Extra Claims</b> | <b>Fee (\$)</b>   | <b>Fee Paid (\$)</b> |                     | <b>Multiple Dependent Claims</b> |                       |                              |
| 12  | - 20 =              | x   | =                    |                     | <b>Fee (\$)</b>                  | <b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>  |                              |
| _____   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| <b>Indep. Claims</b>  | <b>Extra Claims</b> | <b>Fee (\$)</b>   | <b>Fee Paid (\$)</b> |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
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| _____   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| <b>3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE</b>  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s). |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| <b>Total Sheets</b>   | <b>Extra Sheets</b> | <b>Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof</b> |                      | <b>Fee (\$)</b>     | <b>Fee Paid (\$)</b>             |                       |                              |
| _____   | - 100 =             | /50 (round up to a whole number) x                      |                      | =                   | _____                            |                       |                              |
| <b>4. OTHER FEE(S)</b>  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  |                       |                              |
| Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)   |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | <b>Fees Paid (\$)</b> |                              |
| Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): _____  |                     |   |                      |                     |                                  | _____                 |                              |

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|                     |                   | Date                              | October 21, 2005 |



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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

**MS Amendment**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 5, 2005, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

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